

# **Little Compton School Committee Minutes**

**December 8, 2010**

**Present: L. Brousseau-Lebreux. M. Shapiro, D. Gomez, D. Beauchemin, J. Quinn, Kathryn Crowley-Superintendent, James Gibney, Principal and others.**

**I. Meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm in the Wilbur/McMahon School Commons.**

**II. Reorganization of School Committee: On a nomination made by L. Lebrux, seconded by D. Beauchemin it was unanimously voted to appoint D. Gomez as chairman of the committee, On a nomination made by L. Lebrux, seconded by D. Gomez it was unanimously voted to appoint D. Beauchemin as Vice Chair. On a nomination made by D. Gomez, seconded by D. Beauchemin it was voted 3-2 to appoint J. Quinn as secretary.**

**III. Executive Session: On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to seal the executive session minutes.**

**IV. Public Input: A discussion took place pertaining to the safety of the septic system of the school.**

**V. Consent Agenda: On a motion made by M. Shapiro, seconded by L. Lebrux it was unanimously voted to approve the consent agenda.**

**VI. Spotlight on Excellence: Report on the Dana center, presented by A. MacLean and A. Connolly.**

**VII. Personnel Matters: None**

**VIII. Superintendent Report:**

- a. Met with Naval War College representative. Thought that the program sounded really good and would like to supplement the cost of this after school program.**
- b. The superintendent gave a overview of the professional development that she conducted the day before Thanksgiving. The teachers were very cooperative and the professional development was a great success.**
- c. Would like to amend the Title II grant to hire a consultant on a part-time basis to develop the curriculum documents and Race to the Top. Title II and RTT money will be used to pay this consultant. The daily rate will be about 250.00 per day. This consultant will also attend all the RTT meetings so that the teachers will not be pulled from the classroom.**
- d. The superintendent reported on the Tiverton High School visit. There are CD's in the main office for parents that didn't get to see the presentation. Data sheets have been collected. In addition, a family ballot will be sent to all families on their choice of high school. The superintendent also spoke about the visit to Tiverton High School.**
- e. The superintendent discussed the budget packet and that another meeting will take place next week.**
- f. Discussed the need for 120 laptops and printers, wiring etc. The cost would be a little over 100K. These would be phased in over 3 years (1/3 each year). The need of the laptops would be for test taking which will require the standardized tests taken on a laptop. More detail will be presented in the January meeting.**

**IX. Principal's Report:** The principal reported on the tree spree and that it was a great success. A report on the Navy band was given and how great it was. The middle school chorus will be performing at the state house under Mr. Whitehouse direction. A holiday assembly will take place before the Christmas break.

**X. Action Items:**

a. Discuss and vote on appointment of contract negotiation team. On a vote of 3-2 J. Quinn was appointed to the negotiation team. On a vote of 4 approved and 1 abstain (M. Shapiro) D. Beauchemin was appointed to the negotiation team.

b. Discuss and vote on alternate renovation plan sub-committee. A discussion took place. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to table a vote on this item till the next meeting.

c. Discuss and vote on appointment of the following sub-committees:

**Recreation:** L. Lebrueux 4-1

**Wellness:** M. Shapiro 4-0

**Scholarship:** J. Quinn 4-0, M. Shapiro 4-0

**XI. Discussion Items:**

a. Policy on Social Networking. First reading

b. Confidentiality form. First reading. Staff will be asked to sign this policy each year.

c. Building Committee report. An update was given by D. Gomez

**d. High School advisory committee. M. Shapiro addressed the issue of having an advisory committee for the high school. He would like to set up a committee after the last meetings with the high school representative. On a motion made by J. Quinn, seconded by M. Shapiro it was unanimously voted to table this discussion to the next meeting.**

**XII. Adjourn: On a motion made by D. Gomez, seconded by J. Quinn it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:49 pm**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cheryl Sylvia**

**Secretary to the School Committee**